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railways to be borrowed, all the capital
required from the Home capitalist and
congratulates himself that he has kept
the railways in his own possession.

The result has been that railway con-
struction has been determined more by
political expediency than by any other
consideration and the railways of
Australia are a burden on the general
revenue instead of a reproductive asset.

Population has been retarded in conse-
quence of the failure to build lines which
are obviously needed but the construc-
tion of which would not bring the
Government of the day any increased
political support. However the exam-
ple of Canada must sooner or later win
recognition from the more thoughtful
section of publicists in Australia. Can-
ada itself with an ever increasing popu-
lation, enlightened Government and a
practically illimitable amount of good
land would seem to be assured in her
position as the first of the great self-
governing Colonies.

This will be known, historically, as
the era of Parliaments. There has been
a regular mania for creating legislative
bodies of late years. Japan's Diet has
of course been in full working order
since 1890. But within the last couple
of years countries so dissimilar in area
and sentiment as Russia and Montenegro
have decided upon popular assemblies.

Then the Shah of Persia has given his
people some sort of a Parliament. And
finally China has pledged herself to the
establishment of a system of popular
legislation. The mystical letters M.T.
tagged on to a man's name used, in
former days, to awaken a feeling of
admiring awe in the breasts of the
public. This multiplication of Parliaments
will inevitably result in a slump.

Overproduction invariably brings about
that result. If it be true that in the
multitude of counsellors there is wisdom
the world should regard the future with
completeness. The output of laws will
process at an accelerated rate and as
every law which is passed usually
requires anything from two to twenty
amending laws to make its intention
plain the time is probably far distant
when squads of unemployed M.P.s
will parade the streets with banners
controlling "We've got no work to do."

The principle of self-government seems
to be steadily winning acceptance in
every part of the world and this sug-
gests that the time will come when
Hongkong will proudly boast of legis-
lators of its own choosing. Whether
such an institution would actually be a
benefit is open to discussion but that
elections would add to the delight of
existence here is not. One of the most
marked characteristics of the race is its
love of party strife, due to it has been
sagely suggested to the unborn love of
fighting which can no longer be appar-
ent by hanging our neighbour about with
a club and appropriating his belongings.
The life of the Colony will certainly be
quickerened when we have to choose our
own legislators.

News of business in Hongkong must be
cast along pleasant and profitable lines.
What a wealth of satisfaction it would give
the business department of most journals
to be able to make an announcement similar
to the following, which appeared recently
in the *San Francisco Press*: "Messrs. Howarth
Brothers, Ltd., advertisement is held over
until to-morrow owing to pressure on our
space." We have heard of advertisements
being sent in too late for insertion—but
can you imagine?

Obstructing the Trams.
A ricksha coolie was fined \$2, at the
Magistrate's court this morning, by Mr. C. D.
Melbourne, for two very deliberate at-
tempts to obstruct electric tram cars. A
tramway inspector stated that he was
riding on one of the cars and saw the
defendant deliberately remain on the line
after the motor man had been ringing the
bell for some time. The emergency brake
had to be applied and the coolie just drew
his vehicle off the tramline in time to avoid
a collision. The inspector then boarded
another car that was behind the first one
and the coolie obstructed it in exactly the
same way.

"If we are going to be married you
must give up smoking," he said. "Yes," she
said. "And drinking; and your club." He
said: "Yes." She said: "Now doesn't any-
thing suggest itself to you that you will give
up of your own accord?" He said: "Yes."
She said: "What?" He said: "Marrying you."

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LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The Yorkshire Insurance Company
have lately calendars out for 1907.

The case mentioned yesterday in which
a coolie was charged with assaulting an
electric car motor-man at West Point was
concluded at the Magistrate's court this morning.
It was shown that defendant did not take
part in the attack but was the No. 1 in
charge of the man who attacked the motor-
man. The other man could not be arrested
and defendant was discharged.

A French sailor from the "D'Entrecasteaux"
appeared at the Magistrate's court this
morning, to charge a ricksha coolie with
robbing him of the sum of \$3.50. Com-
plainant said that he had been riding in
the defendant's ricksha and that defendant
put his hand in his pocket and robbed him
of his money. Complainant then arrested
the coolie and accompanied by an English sailor,
took him to the Central Police station. When the coolie
was searched he had only a little over a
dollar in money in his possession. Mr.
C. D. Melbourne considered the charge
was not proven and discharged the coolie.

Brother and Sister.
At the Magistrate's court this morning,
Leonora Arlegin, of No. 13 Saw-yah-Pong,
summoned her brother, B. E. Arlegin, for
disorderly conduct. Inspector Goulay
said that the trouble was that complainant
was keeping her brother while he was
out of work. She had not taken a position
as housekeeper and wished him to keep
away from the house at which she was
employed. He had declined to do so and
had threatened her with a chopper when
she remonstrated with him. Defendant
was bound over to keep the peace towards
his sister for 12 months, in the sum of
\$100.

A Fatal Landship.
A landship attended with fatal results
occurred yesterday morning near the
Electric Light Company's premises, at
Wanchai. It appears that the Electric
Company is about to build a power station
and had a gang of coolies at work excavat-
ing about 4000 cubic yards out of the
hillside. They were working in the cutting
at about ten o'clock yesterday morning
when three or four tons of earth fell down
from the cutting and buried several
of the men. All but three managed to
extricate themselves from the fallen earth
and they were smothered before they could
be dug out. The three bodies were re-
covered by the Wanchai police and re-
mained to the mortuary.

A LEGAL POINT.
A rather interesting point of law was
taken by Mr. Hastings, in a case at the
Magistrate's court this morning, in which
Ying Kee, the "Sanitary Board's" Conservancy
Contractor was charged with failing to do
certain work required by his contract.
Defence going into evidence Mr. Hastings
took the preliminary objection that the
Court had no jurisdiction in the matter.
If the contractor had not done the work,
and they did not admit that he had not, the
Sanitary Board could bring a civil action
but not a criminal proceeding such as they
had instituted. The provisions of the
contract, or of the by-laws could not confer
this power upon a Magistrate, and except
in certain specified matters the legislature
had apparently not thought it necessary to
do so.

The Sanitary Board's representative said
that the case had been brought to get a
ruling on the point from His Worship. They
were simply tired of failing the contractor
under the powers conferred on the M. O.
H. and wished to see what other steps
could be taken.

Mr. G. D. Melbourne upheld the point
raised by Mr. Hastings and the summons
was dismissed.

WEATHER REPORT.
The following notice is issued by Mr.
Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 7th at 11.40 a.m. The barometer
has fallen considerably over E. Japan
owing to the depression which, continuing
to move Eastwards, has reached the neigh-
bourhood of Hakodate.

The barometer has risen over W. Japan
and the Leeward, but a fresh fall has set
in over N. China, probably owing to the
approach of another depression from the
Westward. The highest pressure is shown
to the South of the Lower Yangtze.

Fresh to moderate monsoon is indicated
in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part
of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours end-
ing at 10 a.m. to-day, 6.00 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon
to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.
1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood:
E. winds, fresh to moderate; fine.
2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1.
3.—South coast of China between Hong-
kong and Lamook: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hong-
kong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

AN ATTACK OF GROUP WARDED
OFF.
OUR little girl, two and one-half years
old, woke up coughing with the
roup one evening recently. We happened
to have some of Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy on hand and gave her two doses of
it. She went back to sleep and woke up
next morning without a trace of cough. It is
certainly a great medicine, says A. J.
Lugbill, Editor of the *San Francisco*.
Georgia, U.S.A. "An almost perfect
cure for the commonest of ailments, and
always to be carried on the person, it has
been in use for many years and has
never been known to fail. In case of
croup, whooping cough, or any other
cough, it is a sure cure, and it is sold
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BY TELEGRAPH.

THE JAPANESE FLEET.

NEW BUILDING PROGRAMME.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7.

Advices from Tokyo state that the Japanese Admiralty intends to commence to build in home yards in 1907 one additional armoured cruiser.

RIVER STEAMERS.

GERMAN VESSELS SOLD.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7.

It is announced that the German river steamers "Sui-tai" and "Sui-an" have been sold.

The purchasers are the Hongkong Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

THE YUOHUEN PU.

NEW VICE-PRESIDENT APPOINTED.

SHANGHAI, December 7.

Yang-shih-chi, Director of the Imperial Chinese Telegraphs at Shanghai, has been appointed Vice-President of the Yuohuen-fu in succession to Lu-yufen, deceased.

A BILL DISPUTED.

The case remanded from yesterday in which the Harbour Department proceeded against the owner of the Chinese launch "Yat Sun" for the recovery of \$1250 for raising the vessel was continued at the Magistrate's court this afternoon.

M. McIver, boarding officer, stated that the launch was lying in three fathoms of water off McIver Barracks, Wanchai, and formed a danger to navigation. Witness did not consider it safe to go too close to the wreck.

F. O. Barlow, solicitor, for No. 10 Queen's Road Central, deposed that he received a notice from the Harbour Office addressed to Chun Chu Kai (owner of the "Yat Sun") requiring that the launch should be raised. He did not know where Chun Chu Kai lived and sent clerks to look for him but without being able to find him. Further evidence was given showing that No. 10 Queen's Road Central was the address registered by Chun Chu Kai.

At this stage the case was further adjourned until Monday next.

A HILLSIDE TRAGEDY.

Three Chinese Murdered.

One of the most distasteful crimes that have occurred for years past has just been reported to the police. It is, so far, very largely surrounded by mystery and appears likely to remain so, as the police have absolutely nothing to work on in tracing its perpetrators. The victims were three Chinese whose bodies were yesterday found on the hillside towards the Shatin Pass, horribly cut and mutilated and with indications of a most revolting outrage.

The police first became aware of the tragedy yesterday morning when a man named Wong Shui reported that he had found the bodies of his son and two friends on the hillside and that there were very evident indications that they had met their death by foul means. It appears that the man, Wong Shui, is a resident of the small village of Kung Yau Shan, which is on the hillside behind Old Howson and on the way to the Shatin Pass. The three murdered people were all residents of his house, one being his son, a boy of about twelve years of age, and the others a nephew and a friend, both of whom were older. At about 3 p.m. on Sunday last all three left the house together to go for a walk among the hills and did not return that night. The farmer naturally became anxious but thinking that they might have gone down to Kowloon City and stayed the night he did not go out to search for them. However when next day they were still missing, and that night still no tidings of them came, he decided the following morning to go along the mountain track, they had taken for their stroll and make a search, little dreaming of the sight that awaited him. After having been out less than an hour the farmer was horrified by finding the bodies on the track at a spot where there was every evidence of a struggle having taken place.

Each of the bodies had had its throat cut in ghastly fashion and the heads and bodies were slashed about and generally mutilated in a manner horrible to witness. The farmer at once made his way to Shatin and reported to the police who had the task of bringing the bodies down from the hillside to the mortuary, where they were examined by the doctor in charge. It is rumoured that the medical examination has shown that the body of the boy was outraged.

In addition to the above there is also a further suggestion that the object of the murder was robbery. The man deposed as a friend of the farmer's son was recently employed on one of the American steamers running to Hongkong and had in his possession at the time of his leaving the house, a watch, a chain, and about \$30 in money and bank notes and money had been stolen from the body.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE LEPER FUND.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Enclosed please find twenty dollars for the Lepers. In response to Mr. McIver's appeal. Absence from home has prevented my sending it earlier. This is a call to which the well-to-do Chinese of Hongkong ought to liberally respond. As they enjoy all the comfort of health, and good food and warmth, surely they might spare a little for their suffering countrymen. A small sum from each one would enable the poor lepers to get through the winter with, at least, enough to eat and clothing to keep them warm. It must be very painful for those who are trying to relieve the sufferers to get so little sympathy or support from others.—Yours, etc.,

N. BARNETT.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A bazaar in aid of Chinese orphans is to be held on the 11th inst., at the City Hall, by the Alsie de la Sainte Enfance. Needle and fancy work will be on sale.

Major C. G. Pritchard, Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, is due to leave Hongkong with the departure of the transport "Silene" which arrives in the Colony shortly. We understand that before Major Pritchard leaves he will be entertained at dinner by the officers and men of the Corps on December 18. It is confidently expected that Major A. Chapman will take over the position of Commandant after the departure of Major Pritchard and that an Officer from the Regulars will be appointed Adjutant. Nothing official has been done in this direction, however.

The rumour that Lady Marjorie Manners had become engaged to Prince Arthur of Connaught is probably due to the fact (says "The World") that Lady Marjorie is an intimate friend of Princess Patricia, that she is constantly with the Duchess of Connaught and her daughter, and that up till quite recently she was staying at Bagshot Park. There is, however, absolutely no truth in the report of an engagement, though it is quite likely that both Prince Arthur and Princess Patricia, being very English in their tastes, may marry into well-known families here in England when the time comes rather than into the various princely families of Germany which seem nowadays almost the only alternative for the younger members of our Royal family.

It was thought by some of his friends that General Sir Rodger Buller's good service might have been recognised by the bestowal of a field-marshal's baton; but the powers that be would otherwise, and so, after nearly half a century's service, he has gone into retirement. "It is unnecessary to recapitulate Buller's record," it will suffice to say that he possesses medals and decorations for seven campaigns. Such sticklers for red tape as the War Office people that one decoration was actually sent to South Africa addressed to "Lieutenant R. H. Buller, 60th Rifles," as that was his rank when he won it. Buller may be said to have won his V.C. three times over in Zululand, when hotly pursued by Zulus, he assisted in rescuing Captain D'Arcy and carrying him on his horse until he came up with the rear guard. Under similar circumstances he carried Lieutenant Everitt, whose horse had been killed, to a place of safety; and afterwards saved a troop.

A very enjoyable smoking concert was held in the Masonic Hall last night by the Naval and Military Lodge, the occasion being the installation of Mr. Bro. A. W. Hill as Right Wor. Master for the year. The attendance was large, there being many guests. The most entertaining item on the programme was an exhibition of balancing by Mr. A. Aslett. He commenced with balancing a paper funnel on his nose, then a chair on his forehead, then a chair on the stem of a pipe, the bowl being held in his mouth, and other like feats. A heavy gun carriage wheel, weighing 15 cwt was next balanced by the rim on his head, while he walked round the small space in which he was working. He added a spool of sensation to his act by placing a large demijohn, neck downwards on his head, placed a piece of board across, seated a boy on top, with two more demijohns, and walked about with his load quite unconcerned. Other popular items were Master Stewart's singing of "Thy face I never see," "The Dear Home Land," and "The Holy City." This had an excellent voice, clear as a bell. Mr. Leckie's comic songs were enthusiastically applauded and his impersonation of the coster, American, celtic, ditty, and old soldier in the delivery of "Tonyson's famous 'Charge of the Light Brigade,'" were immensely funny. Among others who assisted were, Bro. Jackson, White, Winter, Seagrove (well-executed dance), Jilling (good recitation) Kane, Baddock and Steadman. Bro. Morris was the accompanist. The officers of the Naval and Military Lodge for the year are:—Right Worshipful Master, Mr. Bro. A. W. Hill; Immediate Past Master, Mr. Bro. J. Smith; Deputy Master, Mr. Bro. F. Last; Worshipful Senior Warden, Mr. Bro. E. Chapman; Worshipful Junior Warden, Mr. Bro. G. W. Joyce; Secretary, Mr. J. Blake; Treasurer, Mr. J. McLeod; Chaplain, Mr. Bro. F. Winter; Senior Deacon, Mr. G. W. West; Junior Deacon, Mr. J. Newman; Organist, Mr. Bro. A. A. O'Sullivan; Director of Ceremonies, Mr. J. J. Gray; Steward, Mr. C. H. Parkin; Steward, Mr. W. E. O'Sullivan; Master of Ceremonies, Mr. H. R. Fowler; and Tyler, Mr. J. Vanstone.

THE TREATY PORT OF SWATOW.

ITS EARLY HISTORY AND PRESENT PROSPECTS.

(By Our Own Representative.)

The question is often asked, doubtfully, even by foreigners, has intercourse with the representatives of the West done any real or lasting good for China? To answer this query no better illustration could be taken than the Treaty Port which forms the subject of the present article—Swatow. Swatow owes its importance and even its existence as an important trade centre to Foreigners. Prior to being opened to foreign trade by the Treaty of Tientsin, in 1858, it was insignificant, even for a Chinese town. To-day it is the fifth port of Southern China and is so prosperous and growing so rapidly that it bids well in the course of the next half dozen years to grow into an even prouder position. Unlike Amoy, Foochow, and some others of the Northern ports that appear to have reached high water mark and now to be on the down grade Swatow is a 'growing' centre is growing from year to year and he would indeed be farseeing who could tell what the next generation will bring forth.

As the shipping port for the important city of Chao-chow-fu, with which it is now connected by the railway line opened on Sunday last and the large interior emporium of San-ho-pa, 40 miles further, up the Han, and the whole of the fertile and thickly populated lands that lie in the valley of the magnificent river between Swatow and these two cities, Swatow has an endless source of commerce and wealth to draw upon. How the trade has already expanded is well shown by the Customs estimate of the total value of the trade of the port. Two years after the port was opened, foreign trade was estimated at \$8,176,293; in five years of intercourse with foreigners the total trade value had jumped to \$13,285,748, quite doubled itself, and the figures issued by Mr. Frank Smith, Deputy Commissioner of Customs at Swatow, for 1905, show the total value of trade as estimated by the customs for that year to have been \$18,479,050, which figures will probably be exceeded by those for the present year when they become available. Although a great deal of the trade remains in the hands of the Chinese themselves this immense expansion is directly due to intercourse with foreigners and is truly a record to be proud of.

The people of Swatow in the early days were of a very turbulent disposition and much opposed to foreigners, but now they are better disposed towards the representatives of the West than any of the residents of almost any other of the treaty ports. The demand for education more in accordance with Western ideas is very strong and the number of schools where English is taught have increased remarkably in the last few years and now schools of the new order are open in all of the cities in the district and in many of the more important villages. An immense increase in the value of land in Swatow has been but a natural consequence of the great increase of business in the port, and land at present, especially in the quarters occupied by Europeans, has more than doubled in value. As much as \$25 per Chinese square foot has recently been paid for land in the business part of the city and rents are becoming comparatively speaking very high. Indeed the house accommodation for Europeans is already below the requirements of the place, and the difficulty is to see where fresh sites are to be obtained. Large reclamations from the river have already taken place and others are contemplated and will no doubt prove highly profitable undertakings. The foreign population of Swatow is estimated, in the latest available figures, at 623, of whom 232 were Japanese while the Chinese residents numbered 39,000.

DECLINE OF THE SUGAR TRADE.

As will be well known to all familiar with the history of the port Swatow first became famous, world famous, as the centre of the great sugar industry. A quarter of a century ago Swatow white, brown and green (cup shape) sugar was well known and greatly sought after in the great mart of Mingling Lane, London, but to-day it has almost disappeared. The industry becomes smaller and of less importance yearly (others have taken its place) and it appears to be only a question of a few years when it will be like the tea industry, the practically a thing of the past. The reason for this decline is not far to seek. Machine refined sugar has taken the place of the native article, and it is fifty times better quality and much cheaper. About 25 years ago when the sugar industry was at its height Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Co. built and equipped a large refinery on the river bank opposite to Swatow, at a cost of well over a million dollars, but after running for a few years work was stopped and the plant has now been idle for upwards of 15 years, though it is still kept in excellent condition by a large staff of caretakers. The factory was intended as a sort of feeder to the Hongkong refinery but apparently failed in its purpose and the probability is that when the building is opened again it will not be as a sugar refinery. The property is a very valuable one and some big offers for it have recently been refused. To-day it is owned by a small firm for re-sale of sugar to be imported into Swatow, certainly an example of bringing dead to new life.

As regards the native refineries they are so crude that it was impossible that their products could compete successfully in the markets of the world against the modern article. In the old days every village had its series of sugar mills, rude, but for that time efficient constructions. Many of them still exist and except that their business is gradually fading away they have altered in no respect. A poor native mill will only crush between two granite cylinders turned by oxen, and is powered, twice and the juice collected in a tub sunk in the ground by the side of the press. The sugar boiling house is a place by the mill and the steam by the crushed cane, but there is a great loss of sugar by the imperfect foot pressing, and the crudeness of the machinery; in a modern factory much would be made out of the waste. The boiling house is a low cottage in which the pans are so arranged as to put the sugar directly by the side of the press. The syrup has reached a rich dark brown colour it is spread out in a shallow tub to cool. Then comes the remarkable part of the process of manufacture. A herculean Chinese seizes a wooden spade-like instrument and bending over the mass of warm sugar hovers it a most dangerous job, as it is so hot that it will melt away the work that harder. The Chinaman works with the energy of one possessed, backwards goes the ever stiffening sugar until at last it loses its liquid state. Then he takes up two short pieces of wood with upright handles and with a long pole over the sugar in the tub vigorously squashes while the colour of the sand like stuff gets lighter and lighter until a few hours after boiling more or less in the case the juice is extracted, boiled, coded and made into sugar. Every thing is most primitive and simple and it would have been a poor complaint to the most modern refineries, such as those in Hongkong if the industry under these conditions could have held its own.

NEW INDUSTRIES.—The passing of the sugar industry, however, does not appear to be destined to seriously affect the prosperity of Swatow. The agriculturists of the district find it more profitable to cultivate fruit, vegetables and similar produce mostly for export to the Straits and Bangkok for the use of the thousands of their kind who are doing the district amounts to a very large sum annually, so that the district has this as an additional, or indirect, source of wealth. The cultivation of the poppy and indigo is also greatly increasing.

IMPORTANT FIRMS.

Swatow is the home of some of the oldest and best known companies in the East. It is the head quarters of the well known local house of Bradley and Company, and Mr. T. W. Richardson, one of the heads of the firm, has been a resident of the port since 1855. He still remains there and is one of the best known merchants of the port, having a fine house on the opposite side of the river where the European members of the community usually assemble, on November 30, to celebrate St. Andrew's night. Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and Jardine, Matheson and Co., represented respectively by Mr. J. Hance and Mr. McGregor Forbes, have a very large portion of the trade of the port in their hands, and between them own and operate all the largest and latest steamships that are continually stocked with the produce of the interior and imported foreign goods waiting to be distributed to all parts by native junks. On Monday last there were no fewer than ten large merchant steamers in the harbour and five of these were represented by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.

The Douglas Company is probably the oldest of the shipping companies at present doing business with Swatow and are certainly one of the pioneers of the trade, in which of recent years they have had to face such keen competition. The Japanese are now certainly an element to be counted with in Swatow and although they have not so far annexed much of the trade that was formerly the European firms, they are keenly on the alert and are obtaining a very strong footing in the port.

(To be continued.)

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

The French torpedo-boat destroyers "Sabre" and "Franchise" came into the harbour this morning from a cruise.

Salvage operations have been commenced by the salvage steamer "Protector" in connection with the German steamer "Petrarch" which has been lying alongside the Kowloon Wharves since the typhoon of September 13.

Early on November 24 (says the *Monte Carlo*) the blue funnel freight steamer "Toucan" Captain C. J. Barrie, came in from Singapore with 2,000 tons of general cargo for this port. The coming of the "Toucan" inaugurates a new Oriental and Pacific monthly service of the Ocean Steamship Company of Liverpool, from Liverpool to Tacoma via Suez, Singapore, Manila, Hongkong and Japan. The "Toucan" is one of the latest modern freighters being built on the latest improved schedule plan for Alfred Holt and Co. of Liverpool, owners of the Blue Funnel Line. She was built by Messrs Hawthorth, Leslie and Co. at New Castle-on-Tyne, being launched last January and she is now on her first voyage to Manila.

The *Oceanic Daily Mail* says:—The famous "Pinnell" line, marking the depth to which ships may be loaded, has recently been altered, with the result that many cargo steamers are now run to Gin, deeper in the water than heretofore.

A prominent official of the Board of Trade explained the alterations which have been made. "It is well known," he said, "that foreign ships, those of Germany, for instance, could load deeper than ours, and thus had a great advantage. Those interested in the matter pointed out that modern ships with varying constructions could safely be loaded deeper than had been hitherto allowed. Thereupon a fresh table was drawn up by Lloyd's and ratified by the Board of Trade after careful investigation. When it is said that Gin, on a vessel may allow her to carry 500 tons additional it is plain that the difference may really be a loss here a profit."

Undoubtedly the additional burden will increase the danger to ships and inconvenience to those on board. But if the insurance companies, whose sole concern is the safety of the ship, are satisfied, what more is there to say?

SPORTING.

Cricket.

A match will take place to-morrow between a team representing "Past and Present Committee" and Mr. T. E. Pearce's team. Time in the Pavilion at 12.40 p.m. and play commences at 1.15 p.m.

PAST AND PRESENT COMMITTEE.—Mr. R. Hancock, Mr. Harry Hancock, Mr. W. O. D. Turner, Mr. H. W. Woodward, R.N., Lt. Col. Aitken, 11th Inf. Mr. A. R. Lowe, Hon. Mr. T. F. Seabrook Smith, Mr. E. R. Phillips, Mr. Francis Mallick, Mr. R. E. Bird, Mr. T. O. Gray.

MR. T. E. PEARCE.—Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. W. A. Powell, Major H. E. Lewis, 11th Inf., Capt. Kriekenbeek, 11th Inf., Lt. R. S. Lucy, R.A., Lt. H. E. Stanger-Leather, 11th Inf., Lt. J. M. G. Taylor, 11th Inf., Mr. E. A. Fowler, Mr. N. H. Rutherford, Mr. R. A. B. Ponsibly.

League Cricket.

Two League matches are set down for to-morrow, viz.,

POLICE V. ARMY STAFF.

CIVIL SERVICE V. ROYAL ENGINEERS.—The Civil Service should have a comparatively easy win over the Royal Engineers, but the Police v. Army Staff should be a more stubborn contest, and should end in victory for the Police.

OLIVER STATION.—H. T. Jackson, I. Bolton, G. A. Woodcock, E. B. Reed, F. A. Biden, L. E. Brett, P. T. Lambie, A. J. Jordan, A. Tucker, P. R. Adams, W. H. Kelly, Reserve: H. Ocombe; Umpire: W. H. E. Smith.

Rifle Shooting.

A pleasant function took place in the New Volunteer Headquarters last evening when Captain D. MacDonald, presented Gunner Duncan with a handsome silver token as the prize for last year's shooting competitions, which were confined to Right Half, No. 1 Company.

Lieut. Plummer, who has handed over command of the half-company to Captain MacDonald again, addressed the meeting prior to the presentation to give what he called an account of his "stewardship," but as he very modestly refrained from taking any credit to himself for the increase in efficiency of the half-company. The efficiency of a company depends a great deal on the officers and that almost every one of the Right Half of No. 1 Company attended camp and put in at least ten drills was something in excess of the previous years. Lieut. Plummer congratulated Corporal Seth and his gun crew for the very creditable showing they made.

In the recent competition and announced that during January or thereabouts two competitions would be held, one for the 15 pounder Gun and the other for the Maxim. The competition would be sub-division against sub-division, and would include ordinary drill and general efficiency.

For these competitions prizes would be awarded. Sergeant A. H. B. Hain, who is now in Swatow, has forwarded a cheque to be expended in prizes for a fifteen pounder competition and Captain MacDonald has promised prizes for the Maxim. Lieut. Plummer and Kennett have put up a fine silver Cup for the present rifle shooting competitions now going on, and it was handed over to the secretary of the Half-Company yesterday.

Football.

Yesterday afternoon the Hongkong Football Club defeated the R. A. M. C. in an association match by two goals to nil.

To-morrow afternoon the Hongkong Football Club will play an association match against H. M. S. Tamar, commencing at 4.15 p.m. The following will play for the Club:—Gael, F. Kew; backs, E. F. Agosti and H. L. Garrett; halves, E. C. Gray, E. Humphreys and T. O. Vernon; forwards, W. H. Williams, R. D. Atkinson, J. Weston, R. Miller and J. Mead.

Yachting.

The Yachting Committee of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday inquired into the circumstances of the collision between Dion and Vernon on Sunday week, and decided that Vernon, being on the port tack, was in fault. Had Vernon hailed Dion before going about it may have been different, but under the existing circumstances Vernon was in fault.

Motor Boats.

The most important question the Committee of the Corinthian Yacht Club had to discuss on Wednesday night when inaugurating a motor boat section and arranging a series of races, was the question of rating for time allowances. It may not be generally known among the sporting community of the Colony that the rating of motor boats has been, and still is, the subject of a great deal of discussion in Great Britain. A motor boat unfairly rated is in a far worse position than a yacht that is too heavily penalised because the helmsman of a yacht has by his skill a great deal of chance to make up time, but with the motor boat there is no question of skill in steering, and a knowledge of the rule of the road being all that is necessary. Mr. J. Hand, M.L.N.A., writes us that in dealing with the rating of motor boats to get a rule that will give perfect justice to every type of boat and motor, has up to the present proved impossible. The ratio of length to speed is so disproportionate and the performances of different types of motors so varied that the efforts of Naval Architects to find a suitable rule for rating has been attended by difficulties as insuperable as a reliable system of rating the chances at a gaming table.

Under these circumstances it is most essential that a newly-formed club like the Corinthian Motor Club should base its time allowance on the fairest possible. No better is at present available than that of the Marine M/V Association. The rule for rating reads:— $\frac{1}{P} = \frac{1}{E}$, where P is equal to the power A is the area of immersed mid-section. The motor power is assessed by the formula: Motor Power = $A \times B \times R$ for 1000

four cycle, and for two cycle motor the constant is 600.

Mr. Linton Hope the famous yacht and motor boat architect has collected data of all the best recorded speeds of a great number of motor boats, and has constructed a curve the lengths of the ordinates of which to scale give the speed which a boat rated on the M.M.A. rules can be reasonably expected to obtain. It is from this curve that the Motor Committee of the Corinthian Yacht Club intend to arrange the time allowance for their coming races and some explanation as to how Mr. Linton Hope sets off the curve may be of interest to those desiring to participate in the races. Having collected the data of rating and best recorded speeds of motor boats for the season of 1905 a line with scale of ratings is set off. Perpendicular to this is a line to scale of speeds. Parallel lines are set off from the speed scale to the line of rating scale, then the mean of the best recorded speeds of boats was set up on ordinates perpendicular to the line of the scale of rating. Each best recorded speed is set up at its mark on the scale of rating and a curve passed through these points gives a fair index of a curve of time allowance. For having measured the rating of any boat by M.M.A. rules it is only necessary to measure the ordinate the curve at the number on the line of rating scale that corresponds, the length of which will be to scale the best speed the boat might reasonably be expected to obtain.

Mr. Linton Hope states: The chief advantage which a rating rule of this sort possesses over an ordinary handicap is that while a handicap does nothing whatever to encourage improvements in design of either motor, boat, or propeller, a rating rule at once puts a direct premium on the superior of all or any one of the three. This is apparent if we consider that a boat of a given rating is assumed by the rule to have a certain maximum speed therefore any improvement in this speed is all clear gain as it is absolutely untaxed. A handicap on the other hand is based on the boat's actual performance no matter how bad or good that may be. Consequently there is no encouragement in handicap racing to get a faster boat for a given sized hull and motor, as she would be only penalised for her increased speed.

The action of the Committee of the Corinthian Yacht Club must therefore be a wise one in deciding to use the M. M. A. rating rule for the object of all racing should be the production of good boats. Motor boating in the Colony is in its infancy and a great deal of benefit to the motor boat building trade should result from this rating and the best type of motor boats and marine motors should come to the fore.

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THE "LITTLE PIG TRADE."

Decayed Coolies.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Wexow, December 3.

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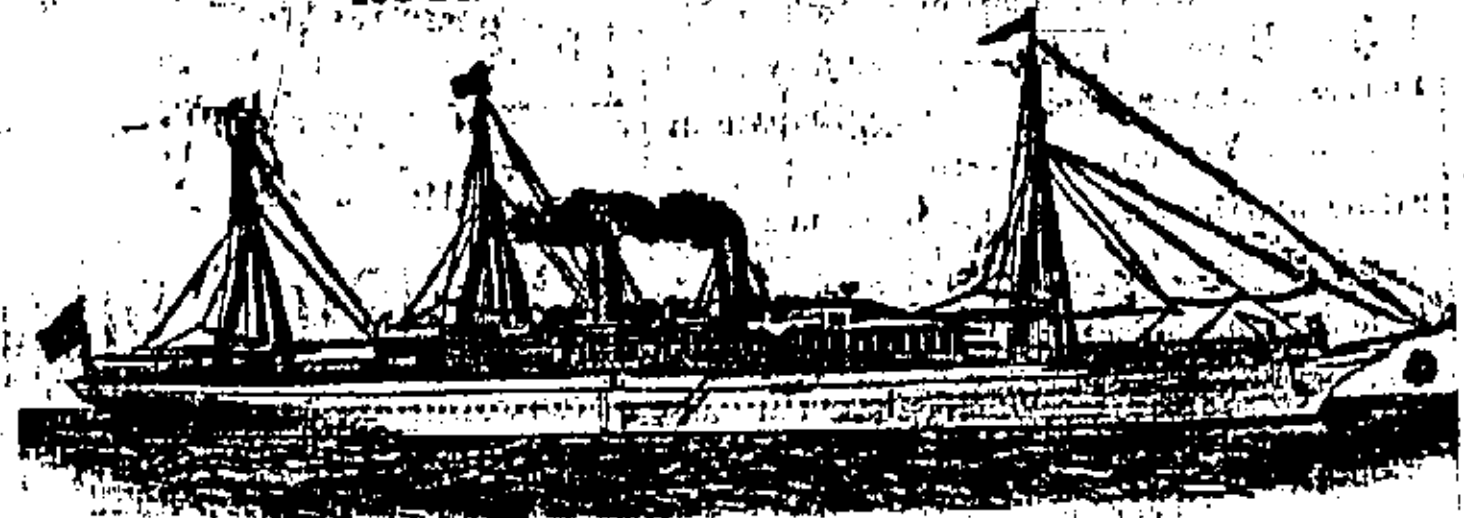
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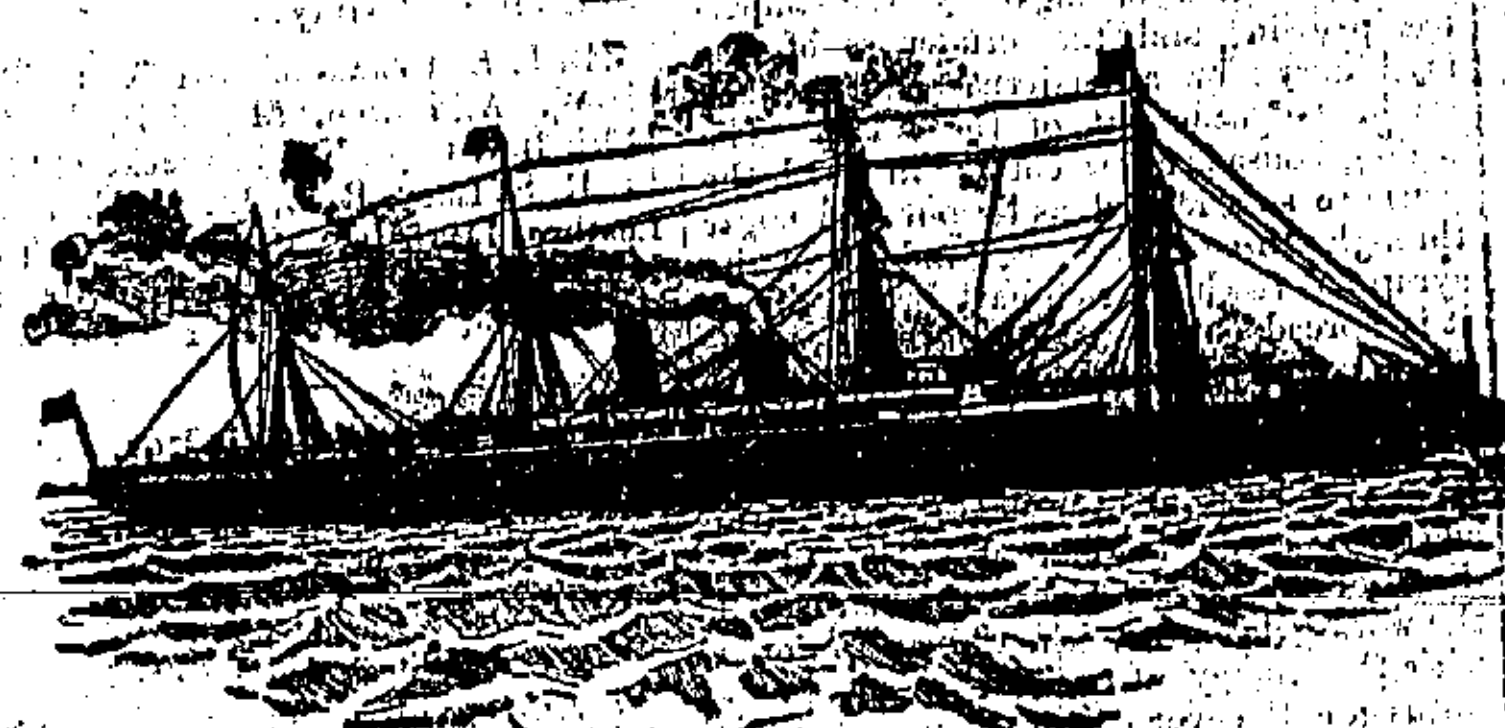
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HONGKONG MARU	FRIDAY, 18th Dec., at Noon
KOREA	TUESDAY, 8th Jan., at Noon
AMERICA MARU	TUESDAY, 18th Jan., at Noon
SIBERIA	TUESDAY, 22nd Jan., at Noon
CHINA	TUESDAY, 29th Jan., at Noon
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PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 13th Jan., 1907
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY, 27th Feb., 1907
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ON WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of December, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship PRINZ REGENT LUTPOLD, Captain E. KROEMER, with MAILED PASSENGERS, GERS, SPORE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at Naples and Genoa.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on Monday, the 17th December, Cargo and Special Bills of Lading on Board until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the 18th December, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on Tuesday, the 18th December.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement. The Steamship has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG.

To New York	64. 0. 0.	44. 0. 0.	26. 0. 0.
Via Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar	111. 0. 0.	72. 0. 0.	47. 0. 0.
Return	83. 0. 0.	48. 0. 0.	27. 0. 0.
Via Bremen or Southampton	123. 0. 0.	83. 0. 0.	48. 0. 0.
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*In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa, Gibraltar and travelling to Bremen or Southampton instead, the same rates will be applied as via Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar, but in this case the expense of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa, or Gibraltar and travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland, the same rates will be applied as via Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

INTERUPTION OF THE VOYAGE IN EGYPT.

Passengers to Europe and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from Alexandria, to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from Port Said.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE, VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTSHOF, MATUPE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
PRINZ SIGISMUND	TUESDAY, 11th Dec., 1906
SANDAKAN	TUESDAY, 4th Jan., 1907
MANILA	TUESDAY, 1st Feb., 1907

ON TUESDAY, the 11th day of December, at Noon, the Steamship PRINZ SIGISMUND, Captain LEUZE, with Mails, Passengers

Shipping.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

FOR

MARSEILLES & LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STRAIERS to COLOMBO	LEAVE HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi) 2 days earlier	Due at LONDON (Brindisi) 1 day later
TONS	NOON SAT'DAY	TONS	SUNDAY 1907	SATURDAY 1907
DEVANHA ..8000	Dec. 15	MOLDAVIA.....10500	Jan. 12	Jan. 19
DELHI.....8000	Dec. 22	VICTORIA.....7000	Jan. 26	Feb. 2
ABOADIA.....7000	Jan. 12, 1907	CHINA.....8000	Feb. 9	Feb. 16
SIMLA.....8000	Jan. 25	INDIA.....8000	Feb. 23	Mar. 1
DELTA.....8000	Feb. 9	MONGOLIA.....10000	Mar. 6	Mar. 15
MALTA.....6000	Feb. 23	BRITANNIA.....7000	Mar. 23	Mar. 29
DEVANHA.....8000	Mar. 9	MAMORA.....10500	Apr. 6	Apr. 13
		Thorough to Marseilles and London via Brindisi	Apr. 20	Apr. 26
Macedonia.....10500	Mar. 23	MOLDAVIA.....10000	May 4	May 10
DELHI.....8000	Apr. 6	HIMALAYA.....7000	May 19	May 25
ABOADIA.....7000	Apr. 20	VICTORIA.....7000	June 2	June 8
DELTA.....8000	May 4	INDIA.....8000	June 16	June 22
MALTA.....6000	May 18			

CANTON NEWS.

THE OFFICIALS AND THE PRESS.
A stinging article appears in the Canton Times on an official newspaper which apparently was established by the late Viceroy Shum. The leader begins something like this: "When the difficulties of the Canton-Hankow railway commenced what the officials were afraid of was the native newspapers. 'Squeezers' also were in like manner afraid of its influence. After their fear accumulated and took shape it developed into jealousy. When the jealousy had grown to a head there must be schemes for suppressing the native press, which was at once attempted." etc. There is a long and furious attack, words of exceeding bitterness and keenness are applied to the action of the mandarins, so that no one can wonder that they attempt to suppress what, apparently, must be regarded as a dangerous enemy if it is ranged against them. It is not our purpose to traverse the whole article, but simply to call attention to the fact of the attack and the animus thereof. The writer charges the promoters of the new paper as being nothing better than a clique, which is severely determined to promote their ends by unworthy means. It avers clearly enough that in order to ensure the success of a paper there must be capital and there must be writers. It asks whence the capital for this official paper comes? It answers that Viceroy Shum found it, and therefore it stands on an unsatisfactory basis. It asks where the writers and the editors are? The reply is that though you call on them they cannot be found. It attacks also the methods by which this new daily is distributed. It states that the officials themselves are interested in the circulation thereof, and that therefore they have ordered that it shall be distributed throughout the country districts. Then it turns round and asks if the people are foolish enough to buy state news at the brick and bidding of local officials and thinks that the people to-day are too wide awake to be cajoled into such a stupid act and boldly says that whatever is done along these lines, the officials may as well understand at once that everybody can see through the ruse, and everybody who buys the new paper, and what supplies the best news and what guards the well-being of the masses.

THE ALMOHATY DOLLAR.

A story is told of which the hero, or subject is a Fatsman man. His occupation is that of a rice-huller. Some time ago he married a wife and instead of finding himself happy ever after, thought that he might be happier if he left her and lived with some one else, which he soon proceeded to do. Meanwhile the discarded wife, having to the inevitable, ceased to pay any more attention to her lost husband, but instead, bought some tickets in what is called the "Mountain Ticket" lottery, and was fortunate to win several thousand dollars. As soon as she had won her treasure it was of course noised abroad, and reached the ears of her husband, who, apparently, preferred the old wife with her thousands of dollars, to the new wife without any dollars at all. He therefore came humbly back to his former wife, and asked to be allowed to resume his old position. But the wife was wise, and she would only receive him back on the condition that he pledged and swore that he would in the future play second fiddle in the house and that the wife should be lord and master. This he at once promised and swore that such should be the relation between them in the future. He has not found this arrangement, however, all honey, for the condition of the compact somehow came to light in the neighborhood and though he lives in a nice house with new furniture, everybody in the street laughs at him as a humped husband, and he is afraid to show his face in the street. It almost appears as if the latter state of the man is worse than the first.

VICEROY CHOW AND NEPOTISM.

We are not in a position to state what has made it necessary for the issue of a proclamation by the Viceroy on the question of nepotism, but probably there have been those who are trying to palm themselves off as his relatives and in this way to extract money from timid persons. At any rate the Viceroy has issued a proclamation in which he states that in no case and at no time has he been guilty of employing his relatives in official positions and giving them any authority over the people over whom he rules. He has therefore issued stern orders and told all the under officials throughout his jurisdiction that if anyone is discovered assuming any relationship to him, and presuming thereon to gain any advantage over the local officials or anyone, such an one is to be at once arrested and brought to his yamen at Canton when he will discover whether he will be able to gain by posing as his relative or not.

EXCHANGE.

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